

# Stewart/Hunter Lifestyle



Randy Murray

*The “SnakeMaster,” Steve Scruggs holds a large eastern diamondback rattlesnake March 8, at the Claxton Rattlesnake Roundup, explaining the toxicity of the snake’s bite.*

## Roundup teaches conservation, preservation

**Randy Murray**  
*Public Affairs Specialist*

Snakes. Some folks get the heebiegeebes just thinking about them but not the “SnakeMaster,” Steve Scruggs. He makes his living handling and talking about snakes and other forms of wildlife. A self-taught naturalist and founder of “Let’s Get Wild,” Scruggs was the guest speaker at this year’s 41st Annual Rattlesnake Roundup held near Claxton, Ga., March 8-9.

The crowds were a little thin on Saturday, thanks to the cold, blustery winds, but according to the president of the Evans County Wildlife Club, Keith Barnard, more than 10,000 folks visited the festival during the two-day event. The festival officially began at 10 a.m., Saturday with a parade of more than 200 floats, cars and trailers. Scores of Families with small children divided their time between checking out the many craft, leather, farm and recreation equipment vendors set up on the festival

grounds and grabbing a bite from one of the many food vendors – including pork rinds, BBQ, ice cream, funnel cakes and fries – then slipping inside the big metal building where a live band was playing.

A few children and adults bared the cold at the Catfish Rodeo where large tubs filled with catfish could be caught using short, fiberglass poles on lines with barbless hooks. At 3 p.m., Killey Blyler of Claxton was crowned as Queen of the 41st Rattlesnake Roundup.

Most folks though came to the roundup to watch Scruggs’ snake show. For more than an hour at a time, Scruggs would introduce his audience to various nonpoisonous and poisonous snakes commonly found in the southeast – coach whips, black snakes and king snakes then copperheads, cottonmouths and finally the guest of honor, the rattlesnake. As he lifted a 5 or 6-foot long eastern diamondback above his head for all to see, he explained how the venom from a snake that size could kill someone, especial-

ly a child playing in the comfort and supposed-security of his own backyard.

“If I can save one child’s life by teaching children about snakes, I’ve done my job,” Scruggs said, explaining his goal of teaching kids about their natural environment.

The goal of Let’s Get Wild, Scruggs said, is to teach kids to appreciate and understand the natural world. His organization based in Watkinsville, Ga. conducts week-long summer camps for boys and girls, grades 3 through 7. Let’s Get Wild also provides educational programs for girl and boy scouts, church youth groups, outdoor shows and corporate events as well as 4-H and FFA groups.

“We have a healthy respect for snakes,” Barnard explained, noting the purpose of the Rattlesnake Roundup is not to harm the more than 200 snakes captured for the event and why Scruggs was invited to be the guest speaker. “Venom from these snakes will be used by medical researchers.”

A lot of people don’t realize that one of the

most effective blood pressure medicines came about by studying rattlesnake venom, which causes the blood pressure to drop to a dangerous low. Responding to the question that Rattlesnake Roundups are harming the rattlesnake population, Scruggs pointed out that the female rattlesnake produces as many as 15 young at a time. These young rattlesnakes are venomous at birth.

Barnard added that those who believe the fewer numbers of snakes captured in recent years is indicative of a declining population of rattlesnakes don’t realize that what’s really in decline is the number of rattlesnake hunters. He said that most rattlesnake hunters are men in their 60’s and 70’s, and as they retire or die, no one is taking their place.

Barnard reiterated the purpose of Claxton’s Rattlesnake Roundup is not to capitalize on fear or hatred of snakes but to educate the public about its responsibility to both conserve and preserve its natural resources, including rattlesnakes.

## Australia comes to Stewart-Hunter travel fair

**Pat young**  
*Managing Editor*

Crikey! The Australia Zoo was ecstatic in their invitation to Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield. Community members got the chance to spend time in the down-under to see crocs and other wildlife as part of many vacation packages available at

the installation’s annual travel fair.

The two day fair, which visited Hunter March 5 and the Stewart Club, March 6, featured the zoo as well as several other Australian locations.

Among the visitors from Australia were representatives from Peppertree; Stella Properties; and Quanta’s, who were able to extend special discounts to the military community, said Colin Evans, Managing Director for Military Tours, in association with a United States Navy’s Morale, Welfare and Recreation contract.

Besides Australia, the fair offered travel ideas, vacation packages and attractions ranging from local attractions, surrounding states, to global vacations. Among the displays represented at the fair were the Georgia Historical Society from St. Simons, the installation Pass and Permit Office; the Mighty-Eighth Air Force Museum; Old Town Trolley; Riverboat Cruises; Old Town Trolley; Jekyll Island’s Summer Waves, and Sea Turtle Center; and the Inn at Ellis Square. In addition, a number of attractions came from other Georgia cities, Florida and North Carolina. Florida was represented by the Kennedy Space Center and several resorts from Orlando, to include America’s Best Value Hotels; Buena Vista Suites; and Courtyard by Marriott.

Other Florida attractions included Kennedy Space Center. Also at the event was Medieval Times from Atlanta and Carowinds Amusement Park from Charlotte, N.C.

The Hinesville Hispanic Club put on both a static display representing Puerto Rico and Panama as well as a colorful display of Hispanic costumes and dance styles by members of the club.

Mayra Smalls, president of the Hinesville Hispanic Club, said the group wanted to help Soldiers and their Families and help show off some of the attractions Puerto Rico, Panama and the other Caribbean destinations have to offer.

dynamic representatives.

Wayne Poole, business development manager for the Australian Zoo, who was an energetic showman in his own right is also friends with the Irwin Family of “Crocodile Hunter” fame. Poole said the late Steve Irvin’s wife, Terri, plans on expanding the Zoo with all proceeds going to continue Steve’s dream toward protecting and conserving wildlife.

Colin invited attendees to learn more about Australia and the vacation packages by checking out the Travel Show Specials online at [ittaustralia.com](http://ittaustralia.com). He said the options included trips to the Sydney, Brisbane or other places with a variety of activities. He said they could take a pre-made package that included activities like scuba or trips to the zoo, or make their own.

The travel fair had something for everyone whether the attendee’s interests were the warmer climes of the southern continents or the cool climates of the far north.

“I would like to visit Alaska,” said Quintina Brown, 11, a sixth-grade student at Kessler Elementary, upon visiting the travel fair. “It’s an ordinary place, but I would love to go there.”

Her brother Sharif Payton, 9, agreed with her choice and added he’d like to see all the animals, like deer and snow owls. “And you could ski all year long if you wanted too,” he said.



Pat Young

*Giovanni Alverado, 7, a member of the Hinesville Hispanic Heritage Club is lifted off his feet, with a whooping “Crikey,” by Wayne Poole, Australian Zoo business development manager at the installation’s Travel Fair at Club Stewart, March 6, while demonstrating a since of surprise which usually accompanies the word.*

Attendees were offered the opportunity to enjoy the displays by watching the shows, picking up trinkets from the vendors or just taking to the



Nancy Gould

*Retirees Bill Linskey and his wife Helen, talk with Mariott representatives Erin Manley, sales manager, and Marie Dalis-Brown, market director of sales, about lodging rates in Orlando, Fla., at the Hunter Army Airfield travel fair, March 5.*



# MWR Briefs

## Official Mail, Distribution hours

The Fort Stewart Official Mail and Distribution center is located in building 418 and has customer service counter hours of 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 1 to 3 p.m. If you have a mailbox or need to drop off your official mail and distribution, do so anytime between 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the right side door, Monday through Friday. Outgoing mail dropped off after 3 p.m. will not be processed until the following work day. At Hunter, the Official Mail and Distributions sub-center is in building 1212. The operating hours are 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 1 to 3 p.m., Monday through Friday.

## Anger management class offered

This free class will meet from 4 to 4:30 p.m. every Wednesday and will provide children with conflict resolution techniques and coping support guidance. The class is held at School Age Services. Parents are welcome and a counselor will be available to address concerns about how to support their children during the deployment and re-deployment phases. For more information, call 767-6533 or 767-2635.

## Join toddler time at Cypress Sam's

Come join us at "play day" from 10 a.m. to noon every Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday before the facility opens for regular business. The play day allows our little customers the chance to enjoy Cypress Sam's Treehouse before it gets too crowded. Open to children ages 0 to 5; but remember, a parent must accompany children. Admission is \$1. For more information, call 767-4273.

## Get water-aerobics fit

Water aerobics class hours have extended. In addition to classes Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 9:30 to 10:30 a.m., water aerobics is now offered 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., Thursday evenings at Newman Pool.

## Join Civilian Fitness Program

Sign up now for the Civilian Fitness Program that runs now through April 10. Call Eli Wilson at Tominac Fitness Center, 315-2019, online at [www.stewartmwr.com](http://www.stewartmwr.com) for the information you need to participate.

## Come enjoy Family Night

It's fun for the whole Family - children's activities, mini-workshops, gang awareness, parent-teacher conference, student portfolio and massage/pampering services for parents. Family Night will be held from 5 to 7 p.m., today at the Youth Center. Reserve space for you and your Family. Free child care (register through CYS) and dinner provided. For more information, call 767-4494.

## Intramural volleyball leagues slated

Companies or teams interested in playing volleyball should call their local sports office and sign-up to play in a

league. League play runs March 25 through April 24. Players must be 17-years-old and older. There will be a coaches and players' meeting 2 p.m., March 20. Registration ends Friday. For more information, call 767-8238 at Stewart or 315-4160 at Hunter.

## St Patrick's Day pre-teen dance

Pre-teens in grades 6 and 7 can come celebrate St. Patty's Day at the pre-teen dance. Come dressed in green and dance your heart out.

The dance will be held from 7 to 10 p.m., Friday at the Fort Stewart Youth Center. There is no cost to attend. For more information, call 767-4491.

## Moonlight Bowling at Stewart Lanes

Let the night owls shine at Stewart Lanes with bowling from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., Saturday. The snack bar will have a special menu available featuring funnel cakes and nachos. The cost is \$2 per game/person and \$.75 shoe rental. For more information, call 767-4273.

## Spring is here

Children are invited to come listen to stories about spring and make a spring craft at Fort Stewart Library. The event will be held at 3:30 p.m., March 19. For more information, call 767-2828.

## Join teen advisory committee

The teen advisory committee is a group of teens interested in helping make Fort Stewart's Youth Center a better place. The committee will provide input and address concerns relating to teens 5 to 6 p.m., March 20 at the Youth Center. For more information, call 767-4491.

## Join Library Book Club

Join fellow readers and participate in book discussions 7 to 8 p.m., March 20 at the Fort Stewart Library. Space is limited to 20 readers. For more information, call 767-2828.

## Single parent day discounts

Single parents come take the kids out for a night of bowling at Stewart Lanes and receive a discount from 1-9 p.m., March 21. The cost is \$1 per game per person and \$.75 for shoe rental. For more information, call 767-4273.

## Come to Easter egg hunt

The Fort Stewart and Hunter Easter Egg Hunt are scheduled to start at 10 a.m., March 22 on the Youth Sports Fields behind School Age Services on Stewart, and at the Hunter Youth Center's field. For more information, call 767-4491 at Fort Stewart, or 315-5708 at Hunter.

## Come to Spring Gobbler contest

Come out and showcase your shooting skills from March 22- May 25 at the Fort Stewart hunting areas. Prizes will be awarded for first through fifth place and is open to valid Fort Stewart hunting permit holders.

First place is \$300 from Budweiser. Registration is required and participants can register at Pass and Permit by March 19. For more information, call 435-8033 or 8061.

## Easter brunch slated

Come join us for a delicious St. Patty's Day brunch from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., March 23 at Club Stewart and Hunter Club. The menu features breakfast items, leg of lamb, Carbenet rice blend, candied yams, Prince Edward Island blend, roasted potatoes, corn soufflé, salad bar, a carving station, grilled lemon chicken breast, a dessert station and a chocolate fountain.

The cost is \$14.95 per person, children 5-10 half price, 4 and under FREE. Get \$1 off each meal with a church bulletin. For more information, call 368-2212 at Stewart and 353-7923 at Hunter.

## Toddler Easter egg hunt at Cypress Sam's

Bring your toddler (ages 0-5) out for a special hide and seek with balls instead of Easter eggs. Balls are marked for special prizes, so bring your child to enjoy all the fun from noon- 2 p.m., March 23. For more information, call 767-4273.

## Youth gym to offer circuit training

Beginning March 25, Jordan Youth Gym will offer circuit training sessions rom 5 to 6 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays. The training is open to youth ages 11-17. Registration ends March 22. For more information, call 767-1428.

## Children learn about Monopoly

Come share the history of Monopoly at the Fort Stewart Library. Children will hear the history of the game and get an introduction on how to play the game. The event will be held at 3:30 p.m., March 26. For more information, call 767-2828.

## Join women's bowling tournament

A women's bowling tournament is scheduled for noon to 6 p.m., March 29-30 and April 5-6 at Marne Lanes.

Sign up now and reserve a spot in the tournament. For more information, call 767-4866.

## Enjoy Extreme Dodgeball

Come participate in an extreme, five-on-five dodgeball tournament at Jordan Youth Gym. The tournament is scheduled for 10 a.m., March 29. Teams must have at least five participants prior to the event to compete. Participation is free to kids ages 11 through 17. Registration deadline is March 22. For more information, call Jordan Youth center at 767-1428.

## Caddy at the Verizon Heritage Pro Am

The 2008 Verizon Heritage Golf Tournament is looking for caddies for the Pro-Am events on 14 and 16 Apr. Applications can be picked up at Taylors Creek Golf Course and Hunter Golf Club.

## Pets of the Week



The Fort Stewart Veterinary Clinic is under renovation through March and has reduced services; however, pet adoptions will continue.

Betty the kitten and TC, the pup are some of the many homeless pets at the Fort Stewart animal shelter. The shelter has pets of all kinds, sizes, and breeds in their care. If you are interested in adopting, call the Fort Stewart Veterinary Clinic at 767-2842.



## A A F E S P R E S E N T S

### MARCH 13 THROUGH 19



### Meet the Spartans

**Today — 7 p.m.**

(Carmen Electra, Diedish Bader )  
From the creators of Scary Movie and Date Movie comes this tongue-in-cheek parody of the sword-and-sandal epic, dubbed Meet the Spartans.

*Rated PG-13 (violence, terror; disturbing images) 99 min*

### The Eye

**Friday, Saturday — 7 p.m.**

(Alessandra Nivola, Jessica Alba )  
Sydney Wells is an accomplished concert violinist who has been blind since a childhood tragedy. Sydney undergoes a double corneal transplant, and her sight is restored. But Sydney's happiness is short-lived as unexplainable shadowy and frightening images start to haunt her. Are they a passing aftermath of her surgery, Sydney's mind adjusting to sight, a product of her imagination, or something horrifyingly real?

As Sydney's family and friends begin to doubt her sanity, Sydney is soon convinced that her anonymous eye donor has somehow

opened the door to a terrifying world only she can now see.

*Rated PG13 (violence/terror; disturbing content.) 97 min*

### Over Her Dead Body

**Sunday — 7 p.m.**

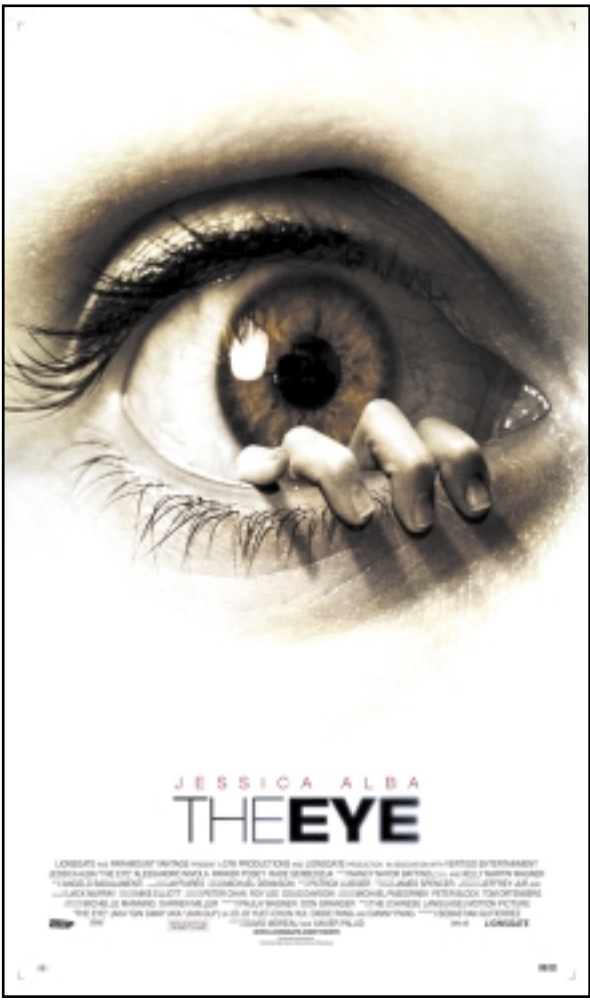
(Paul Rudd, Eva Longoria )

Devastated when his fiancée Kate is killed on their wedding day, Henry reluctantly agrees to consult a psychic named Ashley at the urging of his sister Chloe.

Despite his skepticism over her psychic abilities, Henry finds himself falling hard for Ashley, and vice versa. But there is a big snag. Ashley is being haunted by Kate's ghost, who considers it her heavenly duty to break up Henry and Ashley's fledgling romance, if it is the last thing she does on this earthly plane.

*Rated PG13 (sexual content, language) 97 min*

*Films are subject to availability. AAFES strives to show films according to the published schedule but reserves the right to reschedule, cancel, or substitute showings as needed. For more information, call 767-3069.*



3rd Infantry Division and  
Fort Stewart - Hunter Army Airfield  
presents:

**Women's History Month**  
**Women's Art: Women's Vision"**

**March 26**  
**Club Stewart Ballroom**  
**1:30 to 3 p.m.**

**Honorable Nancy Aspinwall**  
**Judge of the Probate Court,**  
**Liberty County - Keynote Speaker**



# HEALTH MATTERS

## Winn Army Community Hospital

### Cancer support group available

**Maj. Frederick Davidson**  
Chief, Army Public Health Nursing

Breast cancer is the most common cancer in women in the United States. There are 2.3 million women in the United States living with a breast cancer diagnosis.

A diagnosis of breast cancer brings with it many questions, and requires sudden decisions about surgery and treatment.

Victims may experience strong emotions such as anxiety, fear, sorrow or anger. It can be difficult to think clearly while experiencing such strong emotions, but dealing with a breast cancer diagnosis requires focus.

Though fighting breast cancer may be one of the toughest life challenges, it is important for victims to understand that they do not have to face it alone.

That is why Army Public Health Nursing is proud to announce a new program initiative for the community, the Fort Stewart Breast Cancer Support Group. Group meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month.

The first meeting is scheduled for March 18 from noon to 1 p.m., in the Army Community Service classroom, building 86.

For more information contact Maj. Frederick Davidson, Chief, Army Public Health Nursing, at 435-5071.

### Winn Briefs

#### New bone scanning equipment

The bone densitometry is now available at Winn Army Community Hospital to help measure bone loss. Male and female beneficiaries over 45 can be scanned for bone mineral density, especially osteoporosis or osteopenia. Just come by Winn's Radiology Department or call 435-6633.

#### Join breast cancer support group

The Fort Stewart breast cancer support group is scheduled to have a meeting from noon to 1 p.m., March 18 at Army Community Service, 191 Lindquist Road, building 86. For more information, call Maj. Frederick Davidson with Army Public Health Nursing at 435-5071.

#### Wellness exams available

Women wellness exam appointments are

available until the end of March. To make an appointment, call Winn Army Community Hospital at 435-6633 and follow prompt to the Department of OB/GYN.

At Tuttle Army Health Clinic call 1-800-652-9221 and follow prompt to the Department of OB/GYN. Take advantage of this opportunity today.

#### Take Medical surveys

The Office of the Surgeon General mails Army Provider-Level Satisfaction Surveys to a sample of Army patients to ask how Army providers and facilities are meeting the needs of the patients they serve, related to a single outpatient appointment.

Beneficiaries response to this APLSS survey is a valuable tool to Winn and Tuttle and gives us the opportunity to serve you better. For more information about the surveys, call 435-6225.

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## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Provided by Winn Army Community Hospital

February 4

• **Timothy Joshua Jones**, a boy, 6 pounds, 13 ounces, born to Spc. Khaflani Jones and Lisa Jones.

February 6

• **Jada Elysia Clayton**, a girl, 8 pounds, 13 ounce, born to Sgt. 1st Class Jackie Clayton and Master Sgt. Mattie Smith-Clayton.

February 28

• **Kyleigh Nicole Dearth**, a girl, 6 pounds, 9 ounces, born to Sgt. David Dearth and Tina Dearth.

February 11

• **Gracie Lynn Kempel**, a girl, 8 pounds, 3 ounces, born to Sgt. Kristopher Kempel and

Angela Kempel.

February 22

• **Angelique Nia Marie Bonamy**, a girl, 6 pounds, 13 ounce, born to Spc. Austin Bonamy and Ann Bonamy.

• **Cayden James**

**McCarthy**, a boy, 8 pounds, 5 ounces, born to Pfc. Skye McCarthy.

February 26

• **Amanda Nicole Puchales**, a girl, 7 pounds, 3 ounces,

born to Staff Sgt. Ramon Puchales and Myriam Puchales.

• **Sydney Isabella Delphine King**, a girl, 8 pounds, 8 ounces, born to Spc. Ryan King and Spc. Dominique Goff-King.

February 27

• **Macey Blake Higgason**, a girl, 8 pounds, 13 ounces, born to Chief Warrant Officer Billy Higgason and Melissa Higgason.

• **Michael Ryan**

**Nagy**, a boy, 7 pounds, 14 ounces, born to Staff Sgt. Richard Nagy and Stefanie Nagy.

February 28

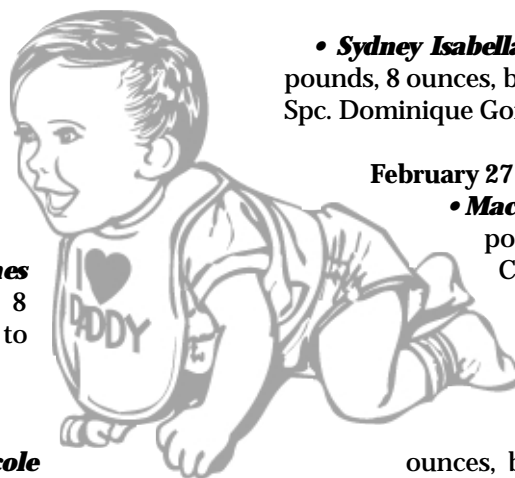
• **Catrina Renee McFerren**, a girl, 7 pounds, born to Pfc. John McFerren II. and Stephanie McFerren.

February 29

• **Damasio Ethan Gerena**, a boy, 7 pounds, 5 ounces, born to Pfc. Damasio Gerena IV. and Pfc. Shanda Gerena.

• **Bruce Allen Jones**, a boy, 8 pounds, 3 ounces, born to Sgt. Donald Jones II. and Melanie Jones.

• **Lincoln Damon Culbertson**, a boy, 6 pounds, 6 ounces, born to Pvt. Damon Culbertson and Priscilla Culbertson.





# The bright light that allows us to see a glimpse of tomorrow

## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Chap. (Lt. Col) Don McDaniels  
4th BCT rear-detachment chaplain

When you think of the word 'hope,' what comes to your mind or what do you start thinking about? For you, is it a difficult word to define? Is it a wishy-washy, "maybe" kind of word or one that leaves you with the idea of an "unsure optimism"? The modern idea of hope is "to wish for, to expect, but without certainty of the fulfillment; to desire very much, but with no real assurance of getting your desire."

In the Bible, according to the Hebrew and Greek words translated by the word "hope" and according to the biblical usage, hope is an indication of certainty. What are you absolutely certain about in your life? The word hope in the Scripture means "a strong and confident expectation." Hope today in modern terms is synonymous with the word trust.

In other words, hope is an active word. It is not standing still. Hope is a progressive word, like "one is hoping for the best" concerning the future outcome of a situation. By its very nature, hope stresses the future and not necessarily knowing the outcome of the future because it is still invisible. Hope concerns itself with things we cannot see or haven't received or both.

In the New Testament, the book of **Romans 8:24-25** says, "For in hope we have been saved or we have believed, but hope that is seen is not hope; for why does one hope for what he sees?"

*But if we hope for what we do not see, with perseverance we wait eagerly for it".*

Our faith in Jesus Christ and our hope in the promises of God thus encourage us to live on for another, brighter day! Biblically speaking, from the standpoint of the object hoped for, this is Jesus Christ or one's faith or salvation in him; hope is synonymous with salvation and its many blessings past, present and future according to the Bible. This is true even with what we have already received as believers because these blessings come under the category of what we cannot see. What we cannot see but still believe in is hope in the active sense of the word. We may see some of the results because of our faith. However, what we believe still requires an active, believing and real faith coupled with a living hope in a living Savior, Jesus Christ. For example, we do not see the indwelling Holy Spirit when we believe or our "union" with Christ as our friend. We believe this to be a reality but this fact is a matter of our hope. The scripture says, "Hope thou in God".

To whom does your hope lie in? A biblical hope is not an escape from reality or from problems. It does not leave us idle or drifting or rocking back and forth in a rocking chair, getting us no where. If our hope is biblically based on God's promises, it will move us forward.

Hope in God and his son Jesus Christ gives us results. It changes how we see ourselves.

Hope changes us into people with a purpose, people who see this life as a temporary dwelling place.

**Second Peter 1:13** says, "And I consider it right, as long as I am in this body of mine to remind you that this earth is not your final home!"

Hope changes what we value. Hope, if it is biblical, makes us "heavenly minded rather than earthly minded." My hope in

Jesus Christ helps me not to worry about circumstances beyond my control but allows me to pray in faith believing.

Hope affects what we do with our lives, our talents, time and treasures.

**First John 3:1-3** says, "See how great a love the Father has bestowed upon us that we should be called children; and such we are. For this reason the world does not know us, because it did not know Him. Beloved, now we are children of God, and it has not appeared as yet what we shall be. We know that when He appears, we shall be like Him, because we shall see Him just as He is".

Living in our faith and hope in God and in his son Jesus Christ allows us to share this living hope to encourage others in life. Our hope in God and his son Jesus Christ allows us rewards and blessings on earth. Our hope gives us joy and peace.

**Romans 15:13** says "Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit".

Our hope gives us protection. **Psalms 33:18** says, "behold, the eye of our Lord is on those who fear Him..."

Our hope gives us strength and courage. **Psalms 31:24** says, "Be strong and let your heart take courage, all you who hope in the Lord".

Hope is the bright light that allows us to see a glimpse of tomorrow and causes us to want to live another day to make it better than the day before. Without it, we become hopeless. With it, we can change the world for the better and dream in such a way that we surpass our wildest imaginations by reaching such imaginable heights that we have climbed. We stand in awe and wonder where we have come and imagine how we got there without touching the hand of God and hearing his voice of encouragement along the way.

### Chapel Schedule

#### Fort Stewart

Catholic	Location	Time
Sunday Mass	Heritage	9 a.m.
Saturday Mass	Heritage	5 p.m.
Protestant		
Contemporary Worship	Marne	11 a.m.
Gospel Worship	Main Post	11 a.m.
Traditional Worship	Marne	9 a.m.
American Samoan	Vale	11 a.m.
Liturgical Worship	Heritage	11 a.m.
Kids' Church(K to 6th grade)	Across from Dia. Elem.	11 a.m.
PWOC (Wednesday)	Marne	9:30 a.m.
Islamic		
Friday Jum'ah	Marne	1:30 p.m.
Contact Yahya Hassan at (414) 899-7226.		
Jewish		
Contact Sgt. 1st Class. Crowther at 332-2084.		
Friday	Marne	11:30 a.m.

#### Hunter Army Airfield

Catholic	
Sunday Mass	Chapel 11 a.m.
Protestant	
Sunday Service	Chapel 9 a.m.

#### Religious Education Contacts

Stewart and Hunter, Director of RE, Mike Iliff, call 767-9789.  
Stewart Catholic RE coordinator, Beth Novak, call 767-6825.  
Hunter Catholic RE coordinator, Pamela Perez, call 315-5440.

## Kids Church

### Where God rocks

10:45 a.m. to noon, Sunday  
at Stewart School Age Services, across from  
Diamond Elementary; or at Hunter Chapel  
Fellowship Hall, Sunday at 9:15 a.m.

### For all kids Grade K-5

Fort Stewart bus pick-up

- 10:15 a.m. - Liberty and Hendrich, Liberty and Sicily, Liberty and Anzio, Liberty and Rome
- 10:20 a.m. - Jasmine and Skyland Spruce, Jasmine and Liberty Wood, Wild Fern and Golden Birch
- 10:30 a.m. - Schofield and Sansidro, Schofield and Hollandia, Rogers and Argyle
- 10:40 a.m. - Naktong and New Guinea, Ormoc and New Guinea
- 10:50 a.m. - Marne Chapel
- 10:55 a.m. - Main Post Chapel

For more information, email  
[fortstewartkidschurch@yahoo.com](mailto:fortstewartkidschurch@yahoo.com)

## Fort Stewart Chapel Youth Ministry

### Junior and Senior High School Students!

Join us for  
**free games and pizza**  
6:30 - 8 p.m.  
Sunday



at Vale Chapel  
in  
Bryan Village.

For more information,  
call 877-7207

All denominations  
POC: 767-4418

Open to all military  
and non-military



## Easter Sunrise Service

March 23 • 7 a.m.

Fort Stewart Marne Gardens

Inclement weather: Main Post Chapel

Hunter Army Airfield: Chapel



## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Each Friday  
Throughout Lent

11:45 a.m.  
Main Post Chapel

For more information,  
call Beth Novak at 767-6825







Live Oak Public Libraries’ programs

Live Oak Public Libraries Programs at the Liberty Branch Library and Midway-Riceboro Branch Library  
*Preschool Story time*

Join us for stories, songs, and more, each Monday at the Liberty Branch Library. The event is for children three to four years-old.

*Tree Tots Storytime*

Join us for stories, songs, and more 10:30 a.m., each Tuesday at the Liberty Branch Library. The event is for ages one to two years-old.

*E-Mail (Liberty)*

Learn how to sign up for free e-mail and send attachments, 2 p.m., March 18. Introduction to the the Internet or comparable experience is a prerequisite to taking this class. To register, call the library at 368-4003

*Tea and Tales Book Group*

Tea and Tales at the Midway-Riceboro Branch Library will be meeting a second time at 5:30 p.m., March 27; join us this time for a discussion of Cat To the Dogs by Shirley Rousseau Murphy. For more information, call the Midway-Riceboro Branch Library at 884-5742.

Human Resource Management meeting held

Coastal Society of Human Resource Management meets on the fourth Thursday of every month. If you are a human resource professional and would like to attend a meeting or receive more information, contact Holly Stevens-Brown, chapter president, at 876-3564.

Georgia’s only colonial museum is “Jewel of Midway”

Jennifer Scales  
*Public Affairs Specialist*

The year is 1957. A house is built at the cost of \$50,000. Now 51 years later, the structure still stands in its original spot with all the furnishings in their original state. Such is the history of the Midway Museum, Georgia's only colonial museum. The house is typical to those that were built in the area during the 18th and early 19th century.

Within it one can gaze upon hundreds of artifacts that were practical and part of every day life for the era. Many of the items were handmade, and you can find the equipment in which they were formed, such as candlesticks and soap.

Music now is so convenient with just a flick of a dial, but about a century ago people had to rely upon instruments such as pianos or even musical glasses. Only three existing sets of glasses are known to still be surviving and one of them can be found in the Midway Museum. It is a musical instrument, which includes crystal glasses containing various amounts of water. They are played by rubbing a finger around the rim.

However, be careful how you listen, as there is a strange rumor that using the instrument has caused musicians and listeners to go insane.

Dublin VAMC holds Thank You for veterans

Community members are invited to attend the first “Thank You” event for Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom veterans. The event is sponsored by the Dublin Veterans Affairs Medical Center, noon to 4 p.m., April 19 at the Carl Vinson VAMC, 1826 Veterans Blvd., Dublin, Ga.

St Patrick’s Day Dance Scheduled

Magnolia Manor on the Coast will be hosting a Saint Patrick's Day dance that is free and open to the public. The event is scheduled for 6 to 8 p.m., Friday. It will be held in the main dining room with music provided by DJ Thurston Clary. For more information, call 756-4300 or go online to [www.magnoliamanor.com](http://www.magnoliamanor.com).

Magnolia Manner hosts Highest Praise

On Saturday, Magnolia Manor will be featuring, "Highest Praise" a Youth Choir from Bethal Baptist Church in Richmond Hill in celebration of Easter. Event is open to the public. "Boomersband", a one-man band from Atlanta will be performing at 6:30 p.m. For more information, call 756-4300.

Come to the Spring Garden Festival

Bamboo Farm and Coastal Gardens, 2 Canebrake Road, Savannah, Ga., will be hosting the Spring Garden Festival March 22. The event will have plants, arts and crafts, children's activities, and strawberry picking. For more information, call 921-5460.

Orlando and St Augustine Trip

Come take a trip to The Holy Land Experience theme park in Orlando, Fla., Arabian Night Dinner Theatre, the historic trolley tour of St. Augustine and much more. The bus will depart the Leisure Activities Center at Hunter at 5:15 a.m. and Fort Stewart at 6 a.m., April 5 and return April 6.

The cost is \$150 per hotel room, includes bus transportation and hotel accommodations for up to four people. Theme park tickets, dinner show tickets, and trolley tour tickets are available for purchase at Leisure Travel. Register ends March 31. For more information, call 767-8609 at Stewart and 315-3674 at Hunter.

AASU takes Jazz Ensemble "On The Road"

The Atlantic Armstrong State University Jazz Ensemble performs 7:30 p.m., April 15 at the Jewish Educational Alliance, 5111 Abercorn St. The show is free and open to the public as part of Jazz Appreciation Month.

The program will be a mix of historic and contemporary music for big band which includes selections from groups such as Count Basie, Duke Ellington and Stan Kenton; 1960s and 70's groups like Thad Jones-Mel Lewis; and modern/contemporary groups such as the big bands of Bob Mintzer and Gordon Goodwin. The band will also perform big band arrangements of standards and tunes from the small group jazz tradition.

For more information, call Larry Dane-Kellogg at 3550-8111 or visit online at [www.coastal-jazz.org](http://www.coastal-jazz.org).



Courtesy graphic

**The midway Museum is located in Midway, 30 miles south of Savannah.**

Miss Pettigrew Lives for a Day, reviewed

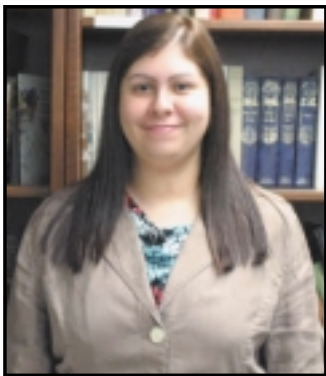
Commentary by:  
Sasha McBrayer  
*Fort Stewart Museum*

Recently, two films have really stood out for me. By the time each was over, I remember feeling that a movie of this quality had not come around in quite some time. The first was "the little movie that did", "Juno", whose screenwriter Diablo Cody snagged an Oscar for 2008's best original screenplay, beating out the Cohen brothers' best film "No Country for Old Men." The second film was "Miss Pettigrew Lives for a Day."

"Pettigrew..." which is out in theatres now,

is an utterly delightful romantic period comedy based on the 1938 British novel by Winifred Watson. The film, which actually spans the events of one whirlwind day, occurs when two unlikely women are thrown together in pre-world war two London.

The first woman is the film's namesake, here brought to life by the super-skilled Frances McDormand ("Fargo", "Almost Famous", and incidentally Joel Cohen's wife). Miss Pettigrew is a humble, modest, middle-aged governess quite down



American lounge singer is conflicted with three suitors, all of which have something to

on her luck that can't seem to keep a job. When she slyly steals an opportunity she ends up on the doorstep of one Delysia Lafosse.

Delysia is a vibrant, adorable, vivacious young woman portrayed here by the only woman who could do her justice, Amy Adams ("Junebug", "Enchanted").

offer and have her absolutely spinning. One offers her a posh flat and all the cash she needs, one can give her stardom and the last can only offer true love and not much else!

Delysia gives Miss P a job and a new lease on life, while Pettigrew is able to iron out some of the wild wrinkles in Delysia's life as her new social secretary, bringing her wisdom and wit to work for the young woman.

As the day progresses both women have their lives forever changed. The laughs along the way are priceless. Audiences leave the theatre feeling as if they've just finished watching an amazing play. I highly recommend this film.

Fred Lee visits Winn, discusses service

Ann Erickson  
*Winn Public Affairs*

Winn Army Community Hospital staff had the opportunity to learn how to improve the patient's experience and not just hospital service during a recent lecture.

Fred Lee, author of “If Disney Ran Your Hospital: 9 1/2 Things You Would Do Differently,” was guest lecturer at Winn Feb. 28 and 29. During his lecture he spoke to



**Fred Lee author of *If Disney Ran Your Hospital: 9 1/2 Things You Would Do Differently*, was guest speaker at the U.S. Army MED-DAC, Fort Stewart Feb. 28 and 29.**

more than 350 U.S. Army Medical Department Activity staff as well as Patient and Family Centered Care Patient Advisors. Lee's book won the 2005 James A. Hamilton Book of the Year from the American College of Healthcare Executives.

Col. John P. Collins, MEDDAC Commander, invited Lee to Fort Stewart after reading his book.

“I had so many staff members reading his book and wanting to go to conferences to see him speak, I decided we should bring him here where everyone can hear him speak,” said Collins. “We're all working hard at the MEDDAC to improve customer service and by connecting his Disney and hospital experience together, Mr. Lee provides thought provoking ways of improving the patient experience.”

Lee's lecture focused on the similarities between Disney and hospitals—both provide an “experience,” not just a service. He showed how Winn can emulate the strategies that earn Disney the trust and loyalty of their guests and employees.

Some of Lee's key points were

how to manage perceptions versus outcomes, making courtesy more important than efficiency and changing the concept of work from service to theater.

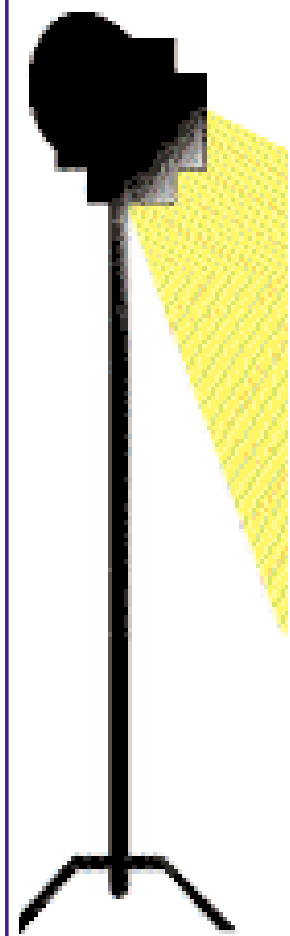
“His seminar was outstanding and truly geared towards patient's care,” said Linda King, Patient Advocate chief. “His examples of patient's perception of medical care was really on the mark.”

Lee also provided some principles that help Winn gain the advantage that comes from being seen as “the best” by their employees and the community. He used examples from his work with Disney and as a senior-level hospital executive. Lee defined practical steps that hospital leadership teams can take to create a new culture- one of the patient experience.

“His presentation yesterday was tremendous and powerful,” said James D. Arnold, Chief, Special Treatment Clinic. “The impact upon me was such, that I feel I can truly employ this guidance every day. This man is well grounded and has realistic goals and expectations.”

Lee's visit to Winn was his first military experience.

Volunteer Spotlight

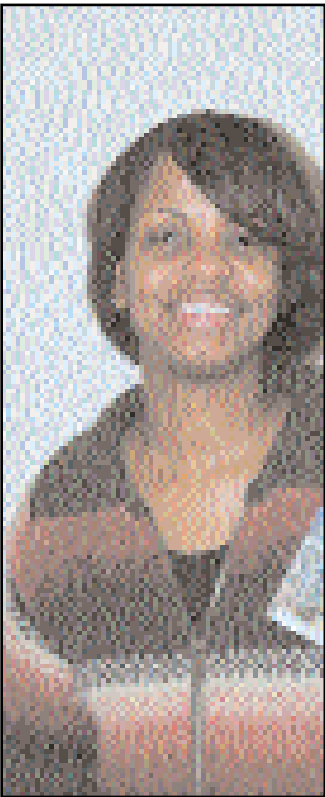


April Anglin of Little Rock, Ark., is an American Red Cross volunteer working in the Patient Administration Division at Winn Army Community Hospital.

Anglin volunteers because she wants to help others who are in need. She feels that she owes it to her country and to the world for all that they have do.

Her interests and hobbies include working with children and administrative work.

If you'd like more information about becoming an American Red Cross volunteer at Winn, call Brigitte Shanken at 435-6903.





# Army Community Service



**W**elcome to the Army Community Service Family Page. Our mission is to provide services to support readiness of Soldiers, their Families, and communities to promote self-reliance, resiliency, and stability.

We offer training classes, support groups, and Family advocacy programs. Services are offered to Active, Retired, Reserve, and National Guard Soldiers and their Family members, regardless of branch of service.

Department of Defense civilian employees are also eligible for most services, as are their Family members.

ACS is a member of the Morale, Welfare and Recreation Family, proudly serving America's Military. For information or to register for programs, call 767-5058 at Stewart or 315-6816 at Hunter.

## Visit the ACS Hunter Open House

Everyone is invited to Hunter Army Airfield's Open House celebration Friday at the Army Community Service temporary location.

Follow the balloons to 230 Neal Boulevard, building 1279 and visit with the ACS team any time during that day.

For more information, call 315-6816.

## Come to the job fair

If you are seeking employment, mark your calendar for the upcoming job fair, March 19 at Hunter Club. Presented by your Family Employment Readiness Program, the fair provides an opportunity for transitioning military and Family members to find entry-level and management positions in the areas of communications, electronics, medical, administration, automation, food service, law enforcement, aviation, transportation, and many more.

At Fort Stewart, job seekers are encouraged to attend The Right Tools for Getting a Job, March 20. Topics include building a portfolio, career assessment, skills assessment, and marketing your resume.

For more information at Stewart, call 767-5058. For more information at Hunter, call 315-6816.

## Succeed in the Army life

Army Family Team Building offers several evening classes designed to give you the tools to succeed in the military lifestyle and in your personal life.

Sign up now for the Introduction to Leadership class, April 14 at Fort Stewart. Call 767-5058 to register for the AFTB free classes.

A three-day "Meet The Army" workshop will be held at Hunter from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., March 18-20.

For more information or to register, call 315-

6816.

## Learn to manage stress and anger

The Family Advocacy Program offers several classes and workshops to help Soldiers and Family members deal with stress, anger, and communication issues.

To register, call 767-5058 at Stewart or 315-6816 at Hunter.

## Music, Toys and Fun for Little Ones

Parents are invited with their children (ages 0 to 5) to the Bryan Village Youth Center on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 to 11:30 a.m. to spend time playing together.

Led by an energetic and playful adult from our New Parent Support Program, the Play Mornings are designed for meeting, sharing, and playing with other military Families in a fun, upbeat atmosphere. Call 767-5058 for more information.

At Hunter, the weekly Play Group meets every Wednesday at 10 a.m. at the Religious Education Center, building 129. Call 315-6816 for more information.

Come on down and see what all the fun is about!

## Volunteer at the Special Olympics

ACS is now recruiting volunteers to help at the 2008 Special Olympics at Fort Stewart on March 28.

Volunteers are needed as huggers, event officials, score sheet runners and, most importantly, the audience and cheering section. Pre-registration is requested in order to expedite volunteer in-processing that day.

To register for this rewarding opportunity, please call 767-5058.

## Give to the AER Fund

The Army Emergency Relief annual campaign runs now through May 15 with a goal of raising \$150,000 to help Soldiers and their Families at Fort Stewart - Hunter Army Airfield.

ER is a private nonprofit organization chartered in 1942 to help Soldiers take care of their own.

Funds are provided in the form of interest-free loans, grants, or a combination of the two. AER also offers undergraduate scholarships to the children of Soldiers and retirees.

To make a contribution or for more information, call 767-5058 at Stewart, or 315-6816 at Hunter.

## Aerobics for breast cancer survivors

The Exceptional Family Member Program offers "Healing Body Moves" for breast cancer survivors. Held every

Thursday from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at Club Stewart, the class consists of gentle exercises led by Instructor Bennie White.

Contact Army Community Service at 767-5058 to sign up for next week's class, March 20.

## Be a mayor in your community

Residents who are interested in serving as a community mayor are invited to apply for a position for the coming year. Experience the rewards and responsibilities of helping to build an Army Strong community.

Call 767-5058 at Fort Stewart or 315-6816 at Hunter Army Airfield for application information.

## Families invited to meet the Army

Army Family Team Building offers classes to give you the tools to succeed in the military lifestyle and in your personal life. A three-day "Meet the Army" workshop will be held at Hunter, March 18-20 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., and will be offered at Fort Stewart, April 23-25.

This class focuses on the basic skills and knowledge needed to succeed in the military environment.

The discussions include how the mission impacts your Family life, an introduction to Family Readiness Groups, Family financial readiness, basic military benefits and entitlements, and military customs and courtesies.

For more information or to register at Hunter, call 315-6816.

Fort Stewart offers the Dogface Soldier for Families class, teaching you about the history of the 3rd Infantry Division, the Dogface Soldier song, and much more.

The class is held at the Fort Stewart Museum and concludes with an informative museum tour.

Call ACS at 767-5058 for more information, or to register for the March 19 class. Also ask about child care information.

## Are your kids driving you crazy?

Join the Military Family Life Consultants for an informative discussion on how to better understand each child's abilities and how to best provide the rules, expectations, and discipline for your child to become the outstanding community member you want him or her to be.

No pre-registration is required; simply come to this special presentation, March 19 at 10:30 at the Southern Oaks Community Center (Liberty Woods).

For information, call the MFLCs at 492-

6428 or 6367.

## Learn to shape your child's future

You are your child's first and most important teacher, so what are you teaching your children? The majority of what they learn comes from watching you.

A new class offered by the New Parent Support Program, Mirror Image, teaches parents of children ages 1-5 about the physical, emotional, and social needs of your children and how you can help them reach their full potential.

Please call 767-5058 to register for the Mirror Image class offered from 2 to 4 p.m. or from 5 to 7 p.m., March 25.

## Take a women's investment class

Fort Stewart offers a financial class just for women March 25 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Learn offering investment options, easy savings fund-building techniques, and simple budgeting strategies. To register, call 767-5058.

## New parents invited to new class

Baby Talk, a new class focusing on the basics of newborn care, also includes an important discussion on Shaken Baby Syndrome and methods for comforting your crying infant and yourself.

New parents, those who will be new parents again, grandparents, and caregivers are welcome to attend the next class March 25 from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Education Center, building 100. Call 767-5058 to register.

## Baby bootcamp for dads

The New Parent Support Program introduces a class conducted by men, for men who are expectant fathers and have infants or toddlers.

Designed to enhance the male's role in parenting through educational and interactive methods, this class teaches fathers the skills to diaper, bathe, dress, and care for their child.

Call 767-5058 to register for the March 26 class at Fort Stewart.

## Moving to Alaska or Hawaii?

Come and learn about your new duty station. You will receive a packet of information pertinent to your new duty station, as well as learn about services that will help make your move a smooth one.

Family members are highly encouraged to attend.

Call to 767-5058 to register for the Overseas Briefing at Fort Stewart, March 18, or call 315-6816 to sign up for the March 19 briefing at Hunter.

Army Community Service New Parent Support Program

## Play Group Playmates

For children ages 0-5 and their parents

*Lots of toys and happy noise with delightful Army girls and boys!*

**Fort Stewart:** Each Tuesday and Thursday  
Bryan Village Youth Center  
10 to 11:30 a.m.

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**Hunter:** Wednesdays  
Religious Education Center, Building 129  
10 to 11:30 a.m.

For information, call  
767-5058 (Stewart) • 315-6816 (Hunter)

## Support Groups

*Something for Everyone*

Army Community Service offers many opportunities to meet other Army Families for support and friendship. For information, call 767-5058 at Fort Stewart or 315-6816 at Hunter Army Airfield.

### Chill and Chat

To discuss deployment or any other concerns each Monday at 9 a.m. at the PX Food Court, hosted by the Military and Family Life Consultants. Playland is open for the children.

### Grandparents and Caregivers Support Group

For those who are taking care of children while their parent is deployed, each Monday at 9 a.m. at the PX Food Court.

### Boot the Baby Blues

For mothers with new babies to discuss post-partum blues and parenting concerns, each Tuesday at 10 a.m. at the Southern Oaks Community Center. Hosted by the New Parent Support Program.

### Hearts Apart

Support and friendship while your loved one is away, held 11 a.m., Wednesday in the Relocation

Office, building 443 at Leisure Activities and at Hunter, on the second Tuesday of each month at the Army Community Service, building 1279.

### Grupo Hispanico Del Café

Hispanic coffee group for spouses who are new to the area, monthly on the first Thursday, at 1 p.m. in building 443, Leisure Activities. Children are welcome.

### Deutscher Kaffee Klatch

German coffee group for spouses who are new to the area, held monthly every second Thursday at 1 p.m. at building 443, Leisure Activities in the relocation office. Children are welcome.

### It's An Exceptional Life

For Families enrolled in the Exceptional Family Member Program, held 6 p.m., monthly on the third Thursday at Southern Oaks Community Center. Various presentation topics offered each month.



# MEDDAC, Winn conducts Strategic Planning Conference

## Special to the Frontline

Key leaders from Winn Army Community Hospital's U.S. Army Medical Department Activity conducted a strategic planning conference, Feb. 28 and 29, where they discussed the future, priority focus areas, and action plans to improve health care delivery for the Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield community.

Col. John P. Collins, MEDDAC commander, opened the conference with his vision for MEDDAC staff and patients and the MEDDAC strategic priorities.

"We have a lot of competing priorities and external missions," said Collins. "I wanted key leaders to step back and think about our organization's core mission of taking care of Soldiers and Families and how we can improve key areas of focus."

Hospital officials have been working to re-define the MEDDAC Winn's mission statement, vision statement and focus with input from department chiefs and administrators. The process of establishing organizational priorities for the upcoming years included a great deal of consultation with patients living in the community. That is why a Patient and Family Centered Care patient advisor, Melinda Geczy, was at the conference.

"Being part of this conference was an honor," said Geczy. "It is yet another example of the regard with which our

health care providers hold this community at every level. They are responsive to our needs and truly view us, the users, as part of the team."

Some of the focus areas discussed during the conference included:

- Improving employee performance/satisfaction.
- Improve patient satisfaction.
- Improve access.
- Ensure fiscal solvency/improve productivity.
- Warriors in Transition.
- Reintegration and continued medical support of 3rd Infantry Division Soldiers and Families.

Collins also discussed the importance of the hospital broadening its role in the community so that residents consider it as more than just a place to go when they are ill. He spoke on the strategic goals for the facility, including a necessary expansion of the existing facility, more parking, and to build on improvements to staff and patient satisfaction as well as the concept of Patient and Family Centered Care.

"Some of the best ideas on how to improve health care delivery come from our patients and community," said Collins. "They see things we often do not, until we become patients in our own system." With the growth of Soldiers and Families in this area, Collins realizes an immediate need for increased services and equipment.

"The medical team at Winn, across the board, are dedi-

cated caring and compassionate people who are all too aware of the challenges facing this community and the issues surrounding acquisition of medical services," said Geczy. "We have dedicated, determined people working extremely hard every day to find solutions to these challenges so that they can deliver to us, their patients, excellent health services regardless of what that health care need may be."

"I would like for our community to know that our health care providers have a deeper commitment to us than simply caring and delivering health care to standard. I have to say that the solutions are creative and on-going. Improvements are visible all over the hospital and throughout our health care system. More improvements are on the way. This is because this health care system at Fort Stewart is not THE health care system at Ft. Stewart, but rather it is OUR health care system. From the house keepers to the maintenance man, the appointment clerk, to the clinic front desk staff, records clerk, nurses, physicians, administrators, and all manner of assistants, they are us - our Family members, our neighbors and our friends and we are they, their Family members, their friends and their neighbors. I hope that we all remember this with each encounter we have with one another. I now know that those who are responsible for providing OUR health care system here at Fort Stewart feel this in the core of their being."



## Wounded warriors covered with thanks

Courtesy photo  
*Judy Walker, center, presents her hand-made quilt to Capt. Aaron Sears, Company A, Warrior Transition Battalion, March 4 at Fort Stewart as Sears' wife Karen helps hold the quilt. Walker made the quilt as a way to say 'thank you' to the men and women protecting our nation's freedom.*

## Briefs

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### Parking lot repairs at Winn

Certain sections of the parking lot at Winn Army Community Hospital will be closed for phase two of repair and resurfacing. Please exercise caution in the parking lot during this time.

### Get TRICARE For Life

Upon receipt of your Medicare Part B enrollment or three to six months prior to your 65th birthday, go to the TRICARE Service Center at 852 Harmon Ave., building 202, Fort Stewart to select a civilian Primary Care Manager and receive more information about your health benefits/options available to you or call 1-800-444-5445.

### OTC medications available

Selected over-the-counter medications are available to beneficiaries without seeing a doctor from the pharmacies at Winn Army

Community Hospital and Tuttle Army Health Clinic.

The over-the-counter pharmacy card is no longer used. Simply come to any pharmacy, take a number and when called, tell the pharmacist your symptoms. Certain over-the-counter medications will be screened against your current medications and given based on age restrictions. A valid ID must be presented at the time of request. Limited quantities per visit. For more information, call 767-2672.

### ASAP sees retirees, Family

The Army Substance Abuse Program Counseling Center is offering prevention, education and treatment opportunities for military retirees and Family members (18 years and older).

Walk-in hours are 7:30 to 9:30 a.m. Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays; 12:30 to 3 p.m., Thursdays. The center is locat-

ed at 944 William H. Wilson Ave., building 620, Fort Stewart. Questions, call 767-5265.

### Prenatal care available

Congratulations on your pregnancy. Prenatal care is available at both Winn Army Community Hospital at Fort Stewart and Tuttle Army Health Clinic at Hunter Army Airfield. Pregnancy tests are available.

Active duty Soldiers need a documented pregnancy from the laboratory. Civilian spouses may confirm pregnancy with a home test or by a hospital urine test. Please call 435-6633 to schedule a new OB nurse interview and an OB physical appointment at Winn or Tuttle. You can also make appointments in person.

### Get your prescriptions in the mail

The TRICARE mail-order pharmacy offers beneficiaries up to a 90-day supply of medica-

tion through the mail, for a co-pay of \$3 for generic and \$9 for name brand drugs on the formulary; non formulary drugs are \$22.

You may order online at [www.express-scripts.com](http://www.express-scripts.com), by phone at 1-866-363-8667 or by fax at 1-877-895-1900.

### Ortho, Podiatry Clinic's location

The Orthopedic and Podiatry Clinic has relocated back to Winn Army Community Hospital. For more information, please call 435-6633.

### Book appointments online

Want an alternative to calling the appointment line? You can book your appointments online at the TRICARE online Web site, [www.tricareonline.com](http://www.tricareonline.com). This link is also available through the Winn Website at [www.winn.amedd.army.mil](http://www.winn.amedd.army.mil).





Kaytrina Curtis

**Unit representative, Sgt. Jonathan Luchsinger, 110th Quartermaster Company, signs in for the Hunter AER campaign kick-off March 6 held at Hunter's ACS.**

# Hunter kicks off AER campaign drive

**Kaytrina Curtis**  
Hunter Public Affairs

The sudden death of a Family member, lack of transportation, or unexpected living costs may set some Soldiers, retirees and their Family members back financially. However, there is help dealing with the hardships.

The annual Army Emergency Relief campaign kicked off March 6 at the Army Community Services building on Hunter Army Airfield. Unit representatives attended the kick-off to prepare for the fund raising event. This year's theme is "Strength for Soldiers and their Families for 66 years."

Hunter Army Airfield Garrison Command Sergeant Major David Sampleton said the intent of the campaign is to get organizations to disseminate 100 percent information to the military Families at Hunter. Last year a little more than \$51,000 was raised on Hunter that was combined with the Fort Stewart fund.

Sampleton expressed to the organization representatives the importance of receiving donations for Soldiers and Family members.

"You have to go out and roll your sleeves up, because

you have a lot of work ahead of you," he said.

More than \$70 million in assistance was provided to more than 60,000 Soldiers and their Families the previous year.

"Just because we are in the military and we are getting paid regularly doesn't mean that emergencies don't come up," said 2nd Lt. Dezerie Jemmott, 260th Quartermaster Battalion and unit AER representative.

This assistance was made possible through campaign donations. The goal is to surpass last year's amount for Hunter.

"If everybody at Hunter could donate just a little bit of money, we would defiantly exceed our goals," said 2nd Lt. Merideth Walton, 224th Military Intelligence Battalion and unit AER representative.

The AER fund helps Soldiers, Family members and retirees.

It supports surviving Families of fallen Soldiers, and gives grants to widows and wounded warriors. Soldiers, civilians and Family members are encouraged to participate by way of donating.

For more information on the Hunter AER campaign, call 315-6816.

## Stewart-Hunter community members help commemorate West Point Founder's Day

Kaytrina Curtis

**West Point graduate, Class of 1962, Dick Kent speaks with West Point Cadet Mitchell McKnight, an installation Family member; and Sarah Lynch, spouse of Maj. Gen. Rick Lynch, 3rd Infantry Division commanding general, at the West Point Founder's Day event held March 8 at the Savannah Marriott Riverfront.**

The guest speaker for the night was Brig. Gen. Robert L. Caslen, Jr., who was commissioned as a lieutenant in the Infantry from the United States Military Academy, class of 1975.

Caslen returns to the USMA to assume command of the United States Corps of Cadets as the 70th Commandant of Cadets. The event is held annually the first week in March to commemorate the anniversary and the founding of the United States Military Academy.

